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The Removal of the Revenue Officers.
(Charlotte Observer.)

It has been stated in the news columns of this paper that there has been issued by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue an order which will remove from North Carolina the majority of the United States internal revenue officers doing service in the State after the 1st of January. With reference to this matter the Industrial News, Republican, of Greensboro, has a sensible, fair-minded and non-partisan editorial as follows:

"The immediate effect of this order, in all likelihood, will be that the manufacture and sale of whiskey will largely increase in North Carolina. The reason for this is that moonshiners have a very wholesome fear of Uncle Sam's officers but are inclined not to take the State's officers very seriously in the matter of punishing bootlegging. This lack of respect for the sheriffs and their deputies is due in a large measure to those officers themselves, and for the reason that they have relied upon the revenue officers to enforce laws which the State officers have neglected. There are probably not a half a dozen sheriffs in the entire State who have tried to enforce the Ward and Watts laws, although these laws have been upon the statute books for a number of years.

"In the May election the people of North Carolina, by a large majority vote, decided to give prohibition a trial, and it is clear as the noonday sun that they expect to have the law enforced and they will not hold those county officers guilty if they do as they have been doing in the past. The law which forbids the manufacture and sale of whiskey is as much a State law as that against larceny, and the officers of the law are just as derelict in non-enforcing the one as the other. It is, therefore, the plain duty of every sheriff and deputy in North Carolina to gird up his loins for the coming battle with the wary and doughty moonshiner.

"For some months revenue officers have reported that, despite their best efforts, the illicit manufacture of liquor was on the increase and it is evident enough that the withdrawal of the revenue officers will further stimulate its production. We take it that the sheriffs, realizing the responsibility that rests upon them in this matter, will exercise the utmost vigilance in enforcing the prohibition law."

The Observer, while entirely quit on the subject during the prohibition campaign—after having stated its view in opposition to the bill submitted by the Legislature to the people—after the election admonished obedience to the order of things and observance of the law to go into effect January 1st at the mandate of the voters. At the same time it foretold that when the prohibition law became effective, and there being no longer government distilleries in the State, the government would take its eye of North Carolina, and that the enforcement of the laws against the manufacture and sale of liquor would depend almost wholly upon the State, or rather, the county officers, who, in the main, had been indifferent to the execution of the State law against moonshiners.

All this will soon come to pass. Uncle Sam will withdraw his revenue forces after January the 1st, and the local liquor laws must be enforced by local people, without the aid of the government at Washington. In a word after the first of next month it will be up to the sheriffs, and up

to this time few of them have manifested any interest in the State prohibition laws. For saying this before we were accused of advancing the aged and hackneyed proposition that "prohibition does not prohibit" and of trying to discredit the law. That was not true then and is not now. We desire to see the prohibition law and all others enforced and the present purpose is to show where the responsibility for its enforcement lodges.

Marked For Death

"Three years ago I was marked for death. A grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Back Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at all druggists, 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

The Nashville American, which has for so long occupied the position of the highwayman in journalism, has at last been tamed, and is as meek as Moses. The Tennessean has wrought the change, and the American has been calling loudly for peace. But there will be no peace until Carmack's murder is avenged and those back of the Coopers have been uncovered. Naturally the American would like to change the subject, like the negro who was caught stealing chickens, but The Tennessean does not forget the Carmack murder and other matters until they are settled, and settled right. Long live the Tennessean; it deserves the hearty support of all honest men. —Newport (Tenn.) Plain Talk.

Medicine That Is Medicine.

"I have suffered a good deal with malaria and stomach complaints but I have now found a remedy that keeps me well, and that remedy is Electric Bitters; a medicine that is medicine for stomach and liver troubles, and for run down conditions," says W. C. Kiestler of Halliday Ark. Electric bitters purify and enrich the blood tone up the nerves, and impart vigor and energy to the weak. Your money will be refunded if it fails to help you. 50c at all druggists.

It has become clear to even the blindest that the people who put the postal savings bank plank in the Republican national platform did so for the sole purpose of offsetting the Democratic platform's declaration for fund-protected bank deposits. Of the two propositions postal savings banks is the one which convicts much less with Wall Street's view of the public's duty toward Wall Street, but the necessity of accepting either would be exceedingly painful—Charlotte Observer.

A Dangerous Operation.

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Dr. Rose, an American experimenter in flying machines, says the birds are helped to fly with the oil in their quills. He asserts that he has flown a considerable distance with artificial wings charged with an oil similar to that observed in the bird's pinion.—Ex.

Letter from Retreat, Ark.

Mr. Editor:—In compliance with a promise to some of my friends in Watauga county, I will write a few lines for your paper.

On Oct. 6 we bade farewell to home, friends and county, and on the 7th boarded the train at Shouns, Tenn.—stopped in Bristol five hours; then to Appalachia and changed cars; then by Big Stone Gap and crossed the Cumberland mountain into Ky., over took a wrecked freight train and was delayed eight hours; then to Louisville, Ky., laid over five hours; then via Henderson, St. Louis, and Springfield to Saligman, Mo., laid over fourteen hours; then took the Mo. & N. A. to Leslie, Ark., our nearest railroad town.

We found R. B. Miller and others waiting for us. Our wagons were then loaded and we started for Pea Ridge, twelve miles away, and reached our destination Oct. 11th, and stayed with our son, Roby Roten, until Oct. 26. On that day the people gathered at the church and observed thanksgiving day. They had a basket dinner on the ground and a fine sermon on the love of Christ, by Eld. Solomon Younce.

In the evening we moved into our new home, the former occupant having vacated that day; so we are again located on our own dirt. We have a nice home and think we will be well satisfied. So far we have found big-hearted, clever people. Three of our neighbors are Hayes. Two of them are grandsons of Alfred Hayes, who was a brother of Ransom and Rice Hayes, of Watauga county. Another neighbor is Judge Smith, a brother-in-law of C. D. Taylor, of Valle Crucis. Another is James Evans, a son of the late widow Evans, who died since we came here. She was a daughter of Mike Rollin, and her mother was a sister of old John Smith. I find from Watauga Ely Harmon, Andrew Harmon, John, Fin and Joe Tester, John Farthing, Solomon Younce, Charlie Younce, R. B. Miller, Wm. Michael, Charley Miller and Roe Miller, the filer's son.

We have fine weather. No snow yet and only two light freezes. They had a tornado along the Mo. and Ark. line, killing fifty-two people and only seventy-five miles. We are located twelve miles from the railroad and twelve miles from the county site. We have a sober people—have not seen a drunken man yet. Have not heard but one man swear, and he was a stranger just passing through the county.

The people grow corn, cotton, oats, cane, sweet potatoes, and nearly all kinds of vegetables. We have a fine fruit country and lots of timber. All kinds of oak, yellow pine, hickory, black gum, sweet gum and some black walnut. Some game, such as wolves, wild cats, foxes, coons, turkeys, squirrels, quails and rabbits.

We get the DEMOCRAT each week, which is a welcome visitor, but wish—its correspondents would write more and give us all the county news.

A ROTEN.

This Is Worth Reading.

Leo F. Zelnick, of 88 Gibson St., Buffalo, N. Y., says: "I cured the most annoying cold sore I ever had, with Beck's Arnica Salve. I applied this salve once a day for two days when every trace of the sore was gone." Heals all sores. Sold under guarantee at all druggists 25c.

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OBITUARY.

On the 10th inst., at 1, p. m., the people of Riddle's Fork of Meat Camp were sadly and terribly shocked as the sad news went out from the home of Rev. L. D. Cole that his 13-year old daughter was dead.

Little Bessie May Cole was a bright, Christian girl; a member of the M. E. Church South at Hopewell—a faithful member of the Sunday School, and dearly beloved by all who knew her, because she was so good and sweet-spirited and kind to all people, and during the few days she was suffering the pains of death there was never a shadow or a doubt in her mind. She said, "Do not weep for me, for I will fall into the arms of my dear Jesus. He will take care of me for He has been with me for a long time. She said, 'I have such a good papa. He talked to me when I was ill of fever, and he told me if I wanted to go to heaven I must be a good girl. I never have forgotten it.' She then said, 'I was happy all day yesterday that I could hardly keep from shouting.' Then she called for her three youngest brothers and talked to them, asking them to be good boys and meet her in heaven. 'Papa,' she said, 'tell David, Nannie and all the rest, if I die before they get here, that I am all right. I don't want to live for any pleasure I might see, but I would like to live to work in my Sunday school.'

It seems strange that one so young, and bidding fair for usefulness should be cut off so quickly. Though David said: "The ways of the Lord are past finding out." We submit all to His will, hoping it is for the best in some way.

The parents of the child wish to extend their thanks to friends who did so much to help them. The remains of the little girl were laid to rest at Hopewell in the presence of a large crowd of people, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. W. O. Rudisill, pastor of Boone circuit.

Love and Old Age

We forget that the inward craving of old age conceives of no analogies and knows no reason why the old-time cares and fondling should be things of the past. It transmutes everything into neglect. Age softens the heart, and the soul pines for the touch of the hand that would stroke the golden locks of a prattling child. Let's love them more than by mere sentiment! What would we do without those saints? Amid these reveries we recall the lines of Elizabeth Gould. "Put your arms around me—There, like that, I want a little petting At life's setting, For 'tis harder to be brave When feeble age comes creeping And finds me weeping Dear ones gone, Just a little petting At life's setting: For I'm old, alone and tired And my long life's work is done." —Homiletic Review.

Summer complaints and other serious ailments common in hot weather can be traced to the stomach nine cases out of ten. Keep the stomach in good order right now by keeping a bottle of Kodol handy in the house all the time but especially during this month. Kodol whenever you feel that you need it. That is the only time you need to take it. Just when you need it; then you will not be troubled with sour stomach, belching, gas on the stomach, bloating, dyspepsia and indigestion. Sold by J. M. Hodges.

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